

## LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, July 19, 2001

### Summary Minutes

#### **Members Present:**

Maria Alegria—Pinole Councilmember  
Irma Anderson—Richmond Councilmember  
Bill Carroll—Solano County Supervisor  
Scott Haggerty—Chair, Alameda County Supervisor  
Rose Jacobs Gibson, San Mateo County Supervisor  
Carol Klatt—Daly City Vice Mayor  
George Pettygrove—Fairfield Mayor  
Dick Spees—Oakland Councilmember  
Peter McHugh—Santa Clara County Supervisor

#### *Also Present:*

Patricia Jones – ABAG  
Kathleen Cha—ABAG

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#### **1. Introductions**

Councilmember Dick Spees served as Committee facilitator for Committee Chair, Supervisor Scott Haggerty, who was unavoidably detained. Meeting was officially convened at 3:45 p.m. with a quorum.

#### **2. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes for the July 19, 2001, meeting were approved.

#### **3. Draft Report (Pollution Prevention Options) Update from Bay Area Dioxins Task Force**

At the request of the Chair, the Pollution Prevention Options Report discussion was rescheduled to November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, with a request that report researcher Dr. Moran attend and be available to discuss the findings.

#### **4. Review of Legislation**

An update was given on 2001 Legislation that the Committee had reviewed during the past Legislative session, noting that there was a flurry of changes up through September 14<sup>th</sup> which was the deadline for bills to be passed out of the Assembly and Senate. The deadline for the Governor to sign or veto these enrolled bills was October 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### **5. Review of Draft Ballot Measure on Fiscal Tax Relief**

In regard to the draft initiative and constitutional amendment being proposed by the League of California Cities and California State Association of Counties, the Committee reaffirmed its **support in concept position**. The Committee directed staff to prepare a briefing paper outlining positions or issues that need to be addressed or clarified in the draft initiative. This initiative focuses primarily on preventing further erosion of revenue to cities and taxes and is a first step approach to bringing about fiscal tax reform.

Committee members Councilmember Carole Dillon-Knutson of Novato, Councilmember Maria Alegria of Pinole, and Mayor George Pettygrove of Fairfield will represent ABAG's concerns and recommendations to the League Board and Initiative Task Force.

Some committee recommendations include: ensure that language be included to protect cities and counties from other kinds of revenue loss that could result from the changes and that the initiative language be written so that the public will understand the impact and issues more clearly.

**6. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.

**Next Meeting: November 15, 2001, 3:30-5pm, MetroCenter, ABAG Conference Room B**